



## State of Utah

## Department of **Natural Resources**

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# Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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Representativ	es Present During the Inspection:	
Company	Mark Reynolds Resident Agent	
OGM	Pete Hess Environmental Scientist III	

# **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0150025		
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL		
Inspection Date:	Monday, September 08, 2008		
Start Date/Time:	9/8/2008 9:20:00 AM		
End Date/Time:	9/8/2008 11:25:00 AM		
Last Inspection:	Tuesday, August 05, 2008		

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Cool, partly cloudy. InspectionID Report Number: 1758

> Accepted by: jhelfric 9/8/2008

Permitee: CO-OP MINING CO Operator: CO-OP MINING CO

Address: PO BOX 1245, HUNTINGTON UT 84528

County: EMERY

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Site: BEAR CANYON MINE

Permit Status: ACTIVE

### **Current Acreages**

10,967.39	<b>Total Permitted</b>		
40.46	<b>Total Disturbed</b>		
	Phase I		
	Phase II		
	Phase III		

#### **Mineral Ownership**

#### **Types of Operations** ✓ Federal Underground ☐ State ☐ Surface Loadout County Processing ☐ Other Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Bear Canyon site received 0.44 inches of rainfall on August 31, 2008.

The Permittee notified the Division on September 2, 2008 that the second quarter of 2008 surface and ground water monitoring information was in the electronic data base pipeline, ready for uploading into the permanent data base. The Permittee continues to meet this Special Condition of Attachment "A" of the current State permit.

Mr. Shawn Baker represented the Permittee during today's inspection.

Inspector's Signature:

**Date** 

Monday, September 08, 2008

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 46

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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## REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
  - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcemen
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	
2.	Signs and Markers	✓			
3.	Topsoil	✓			
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<b>✓</b>			
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	✓			
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<b>✓</b>			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<b>✓</b>			
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations				
5.	Explosives	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		<b>✓</b>		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		<b>~</b>		
8.	Noncoal Waste	✓			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	✓		<b>V</b>	
10.	Slides and Other Damage		<b>V</b>		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		<b>✓</b>		
12.	Backfilling And Grading		<b>✓</b>		
13.	Revegetation	✓		<b>V</b>	
14.	Subsidence Control				
15.	Cessation of Operations				
16.a	Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	✓		✓	
16.b	Roads: Drainage Controls	✓			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<b>✓</b>			
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit	<b>V</b>		<b>~</b>	
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22.	Other				

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# 1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The Permittee has submitted an ownership and control change to the Division which would transfer all assets associated with C.W. Mining Company to Hiawatha Coal Company. This is currently being reviewed within the Division, in conjunction with review by the US Bankruptcy Court for the District of Utah. C.W. Mining has filed a Chapter 11 in an attempt to argue the lawsuit filed by Aquila, (electricity and natural gas provider for several states east of the Rocky Mountains). Aquila is owned by Great Plains Energy and the Black Hills Corporation.

### 5. Explosives

Day boxes (type 3 magazines) for explosives storage were checked for cartridges and detonators; none were observed. The day boxes were located adjacent to the type 1 magazines (permanent storage for high explosives). The area was clean and orderly.

# 9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues

Several blooming musk thistle plants were observed on the south side of the canyon accessing the east end of the #4 Mine conveyor. Mr. Baker was asked to either spray these plants with herbicide or clip and collect the seed pods to minimize the apreading of this Utah noxious weed.

#### 13. Revegetation

The Permittee intends to install erosion control excelsior matting on the inside slope NE end of pond "B" to stabilize the soils in the area. The matting is on order.

# 16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing

The asphalt paving of the dual lane truck loading and the truck turnaround loop has been completed. Concrete pads were poured beneath the coal chutes where trailers are spotted for loading. The surface drains located between the canyon access and the east side loading lane were open and appeared capable of functioning.

## 20. Air Quality Permit

The access road to the #3 Mine needed wetting. The pad at the #4 Mine portal also needed wetting.